Pacific coast clam fishery is nevertheless historically and economically important in some communities. This book reviews the Pacific coast clam fishery by state. Principal commerical species are listed, with history, current population trends, and anticipated future developments. There is an introductory chapter on species and harvesting methods.

General Reading

***Origins of Sea Terms* by John G. Rogers. 1984. Mystic Seaport Museum, Mystic, Conn. 220 pp. + xv. $15.00.**

This book contains 1,249 entries, emphasizing the origins and earliest meanings of sea terms. The entries pertain to life on board ship, hulls and rigging, ship handling, sea and weather conditions, and naval and technical subjects. The book is prefaced with explanatory notes (about usage and abbreviations), charts of the language periods (in alphabetical order from Anglo-French, A.D. 1066 to 1200, to Viking, A.D. 700 to 1100) and a chart of the Nautical Alphabet (black-and-white drawings of flags next to the letters they represent). Three appendices list older spellings of currently used sea terms, a few modern pleasure-sailors' corruptions of sea terms, and ropes.

***The Wilder Shore*, photographs by Morley Baer; text by David Rains Wallace. 1984. Sierra Club Books, San Francisco, Calif. 162 pp. + xiii. $50.00.**

Very large format, with photographs—both black-and-white and color—arranged no more than one to a page, this book is about the California landscape, as perceived by two artists. The book is structured like a journey beginning at the wild Pacific edge of the continent, passing through the

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